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Roads

Quieter construction season ahead

Despite construction season ramping up, there will be fewer detours on Edmonton's streets this year.

After one of the busiest construction periods in history last year, the city's road work is slowing down.

In total, \$122.9 million is being invested in 46 growth and special projects, including paving on arterial and collector roads, said Barry Belcourt, the city's branch manager of roads design and construction.

That is compared with 150 projects in 2011, and with triple the budget, he added.

"In some areas of the city there was gridlock," said Belcourt. "We shouldn't see that this year."

In contrast to previous years, 55 to 60 per cent of the work this year is geared towards rehabilitation instead of growth.

"It isn't that there's not going to be growth, but it's going to be a balance," said Belcourt.

Major areas of focus this year include: Central LRT Station and Jasper Avenue streetscape; Grierson Road Bridge over McDougall/Scona Road and MacDonald Drive pedestrian overpass; Whitemud Drive/17 Street interchange; 97 Street from Yellowhead Trail to 137 Avenue; and Anthony Henday Drive connectors at both 137 Avenue (170 Street) and 66 Street (167 Avenue to 195 Avenue).

Belcourt said there may be road closures in some spots for a few days at a time, but nothing major.

For a complete list, visit edmonton.ca.

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Construction on Jasper Avenue near the Central LRT station, pictured here, begins this month, stretching well into 2013. HEATHER MCINTYRE/METRO

Construction work kicking off on Jasper

First phase. Parts of plan for Jasper Avenue fast-tracked to 2012-13 construction seasons



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Despite the short-term pain of construction, the executive director of the Downtown Business Association is looking forward to a long-term gain on Jasper Avenue.

"It will be fantastic for the downtown," Jim Taylor said Tuesday. "It is going to be a place instead of a

More details

- Starting this Saturday, more than 20 ETS buses will be rerouted from Jasper Avenue north to 102 Avenue between 100 and 103 Streets. For more information, call 311 or visit takeets.com.
- The Jasper Avenue New Vision Plan stretches from 97 Street to 111 Street, so this is only the first phase, while others will be done as funding becomes available.

street."

Starting this month, Jasper Avenue between 100 and 102 Streets will be reduced to one lane each way while repair work is done on the Central LRT Station.

Construction will also see the median removed,

a shared turning lane and wider sidewalks — creating a more pedestrian-friendly environment, said Barry Belcourt, the city's branch manager of roads design and construction.

The \$44-million project is expected to be complete in

late 2013.

"When you look at Jasper Avenue, closing it really isn't an option," said Belcourt. "We will still maintain one lane in either direction."

Gill Tataeb, owner of Crepe Symphony Café on Rice Howard Way, just north of Jasper Avenue, opened his restaurant three weeks ago.

"My big concern is actually the pedestrian traffic getting reduced," he said, noting the business lunch crowd will remain, but summer construction could deter some customers. "It would be nice to have a patio."

But despite being "so-so worried," Tataeb is looking forward to the end result.



NEWS

On the web

Trayvon images not approved

While vendors are profiting from Trayvon Martin merchandise, the teen's family has taken action to prevent offensive uses of his image. Watch the video at metronews.ca.

Vaccine itching for approval

A new vaccine for poison sumac and poison oak is going to Phase 1 clinical trials later this year. More at metronews.ca.

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Police shooting. Accused attempted murderer faces thirteen more charges

A man accused in the attempted murder of two Alberta RCMP officers is facing an additional 13 firearms offences.

Sawyer Clarke Robison is appearing for a bail hearing in Killam provincial court.

The new charges include possession of a prohibited loaded restricted firearm and possession of a firearm with altered or defaced serial numbers.

Constables Sheldon Shah and Sid Gaudette were shot and wounded when they went to execute a search warrant on



Sawyer Clarke Robison

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Robison's family farm near Killam on Feb. 7. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Fire safety

Troubled Leduc condo gets new work order

A new Fire Safety Code Order has been issued for Leduc's Bellavera Green condos.

The city said the order outlines "further efforts required by Bellavera Green receiver, Ayre and Oxford Inc., for the continued safety of condo residents."

Criteria must be met by May 9, but the order means residents weren't forced out. **METRO**

Feedback

Public pay input sought for city waste

City officials are looking for the public's help to determine the best way to pay for waste services.

The City of Edmonton has developed five payment options.

Residents can call 311, complete a survey at edmonton.ca, or attend an open house. Results will be brought to the utility committee June 19. **METRO**

Young offenders. Cops ask RCMP for inquiry

The city's top cop has called in the RCMP to investigate, and apologized publicly after the Edmonton Police Service identified a 16-year-old alleged young offender in its Operation Warrant Execution campaign.

The incident is related to an ad that ran Monday in the Metro Edmonton and Edmonton

Sun newspapers and online, violating the Youth Criminal Justice Act by identifying someone under 18.

"This was absolutely unacceptable for the Edmonton Police Service, and for this we sincerely apologize to the youth, the family and Edmontonians," said Chief Rod Knecht in a written statement. **METRO**



Provincial PC leader Alison Redford tries on a hat as members of Medicine Hat's Red Hat Society look on in Medicine Hat on Tuesday. Redford says she is worried Smith's plan will lead to deep cuts to core services. **IAN SORESENSEN/THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Smith defends 'Dani-dollars'

Election promises. Critics say petro rebate plan is untenable — but the Wildrose leader is holding firm

Quotable

"You can't give away money you don't collect because your royalties are too low."

Brian Mason, provincial NDP leader

Alberta Wildrose leader Danielle Smith is challenging opponents who don't like her "Dani-dollars" petro-giveback to explain how they'll use any future budget surpluses.

"Once you start having surpluses, you have to have some kind of idea what you want to do with those surpluses," Smith said Tuesday.

Smith defended her promise to rebate an anticipated

\$300 to Albertans, a portion of future budget surpluses.

Opponents have ridiculed the idea, which is actually patterned on a \$400-a-head rebate under former Progressive Conservative premier Ralph Klein in 2005.

Premier Alison Redford noted that Wildrose is already promising to balance the budget and grow the Heritage Savings Trust Fund while not

hiking taxes, not increasing oil royalties and returning money to parents for school fees, sports, and arts programs.

Redford has said she fears it will result in deep cuts to core services in education and health programs.

NDP Leader Brian Mason agreed with Redford, adding that Wildrose can't keep its commitment if it doesn't raise royalties on the oilsands.

"The Wildrose numbers just don't add up," Mason told a news conference in Edmonton to release his party's fiscal plan. "They will have to cut services that we all need to buy votes now." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Wildrose denies gag order

Alberta Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith says her party does not have a gag order on candidates talking to media.

Answering a question from a reporter in Leduc, Smith says there is a policy in place to have candidates call head office

before talking to a reporter.

But she says that's just to make sure everyone is on the same page and that no inaccurate information is relayed to the media.

Smith says it just makes sense given that a lot of her can-

didates have had very little experience talking to the media.

She adds that it's a badge of honour that her candidates are new to public life, saying it reflects the fresh start that her party is trumpeting.

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Seized. Bear cub taken to zoo while fate decided

Conservation officials have seized a black bear cub rescued and taken home last month by a man in southern Manitoba.

Makoon, who has become a bit of a celebrity in southern Manitoba, is now biding his time at the Assiniboine Park Zoo in Winnipeg while government officials try to find him a new home in Ontario.

"I feel like crying," Rene Dubois said Tuesday afternoon, after a conservation officer and a biologist came to his house in St. Malo and loaded the cub up in a cage.

The 63-year-old said he was told he can't visit the bear at the zoo but was given a phone

number to call so he could check on his condition.

Dubois said it was a heart-wrenching goodbye that he wasn't prepared for, but he's glad the cub is going to a place where he'll be well taken care of.

"At least he'll have a chance," Dubois said.

The retired construction worker found the bear March 25 starving in a ditch along the highway outside of St. Malo, a community about 70 kilometres south of Winnipeg.

He and his wife have been nursing him back to health, feeding him milk and formula from a baby bottle, honey and fruit. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Bear cub Makoon takes a closer look at baby RayAnne at the Dubois home in St. Malo, Man., on March 26. RACHEL WALFORD/HANDOUT

Transgender model calls on Trump to fight discrimination

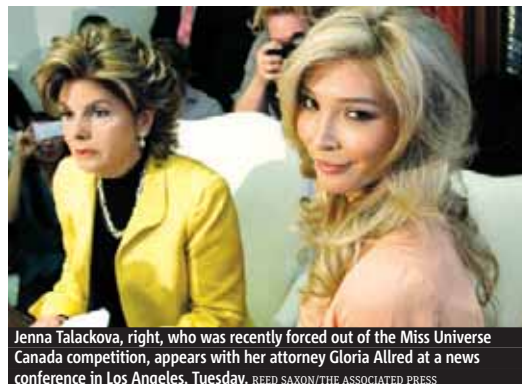
Unclear. Transgender Miss Universe Canada contestant says details surrounding her re-entry into competition remain muddled

KATE WEBB
Metro in Vancouver

Embattled transgender beauty Jenna Talackova says the decision to allow her compete in the Miss Universe Canada pageant is only skin deep.

In a statement issued late Monday, the organization seemingly reversed its earlier decision to disqualify the 23-year-old Vancouver model from the competition, "provided she meets the legal gender recognition requirements of Canada, and the standards established by other international competitions."

Talackova was disqualified March 23 on the grounds that



Jenna Talackova, right, who was recently forced out of the Miss Universe Canada competition, appears with her attorney Gloria Allred at a news conference in Los Angeles, Tuesday. REED SAXON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

she did not meet the pageant's requirement contestants be "natural born" female — a rule her lawyer Gloria Allred called "blatant discrimination" at a Los Angeles news conference Tuesday. Talackova called on Miss Universe owner and real estate mogul Donald Trump to be a leader in the fight against

discrimination.

"I also want Mr. Trump to clearly state that this rule will be eliminated, because I do not want any other woman to suffer the discrimination that I have to endure," said Talackova.

Talackova said she is still not sure where she stands with the pageant.

Free my grapes

Wine lovers hope to quash 1928 law

"Free my grapes" was the rallying cry on Parliament Hill on Tuesday as a committee heard from supporters of a private member's bill seeking to erase a 1928 rule that restricts individuals from bringing wine across provincial borders.

Shirley-Ann George ran into that problem when she was visiting B.C. and then tried to join a wine club through a vineyard there, only to be told the vineyard couldn't ship to her home in Ontario. She decided to start up the Alliance of Canadian Wine Consumers to try to change it.

"You've got to be kidding," is the most common refrain from people first learning about the rule, George said in an interview.

Bill C-311, which would amend the Importation of Intoxicating Liquors Act, was introduced in the House of Commons last fall by B.C. Tory MP Dan Albas.

While Albas doesn't drink, he said the issue came up frequently during the 2011 election campaign.

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Fighter jet funding frozen after auditor general report

The Harper government froze spending Tuesday on the multi-billion-dollar plan to buy new jet fighters minutes after the auditor general produced a withering report accusing the Department of National Defence of keeping Parliament in the dark about spiralling problems with the F-35 purchase.

The government also announced it would take away DND's ability to buy new weapons systems and hand it to Public Works — all in an effort to shield itself from the ensuing assault in the House of Commons that followed the release of the report by new Auditor General Michael Ferguson.

The Defence Department faced wide-ranging scorn over its management of the plan to buy 65 new F-35 radar-evading stealth fighters for what the military initially insisted would cost \$9 billion.

The cost of the purchase, which is already the largest single purchase of military hardware in Canadian his-

tory, will almost certainly be far higher than originally budgeted, Ferguson said.

He added that Public Works should have done a better job of overseeing the purchase, but Ferguson was particularly scathing about DND's failure to come clean on potential problems with buying the F-35.

"Briefing material did not inform senior decision makers, central agencies, and the Minister of the problems and associated risks of relying on the F-35 to replace the CF-18," Ferguson said in his report. "Nor did National Defence provide complete cost information to parliamentarians."

DND pointedly rejected

criticism that it did not exercise due diligence in managing the project.

The auditor general's criticism does not mean the government will scrap the F-35 purchase or even consider opening up the sole-source procurement to other competitive bids.

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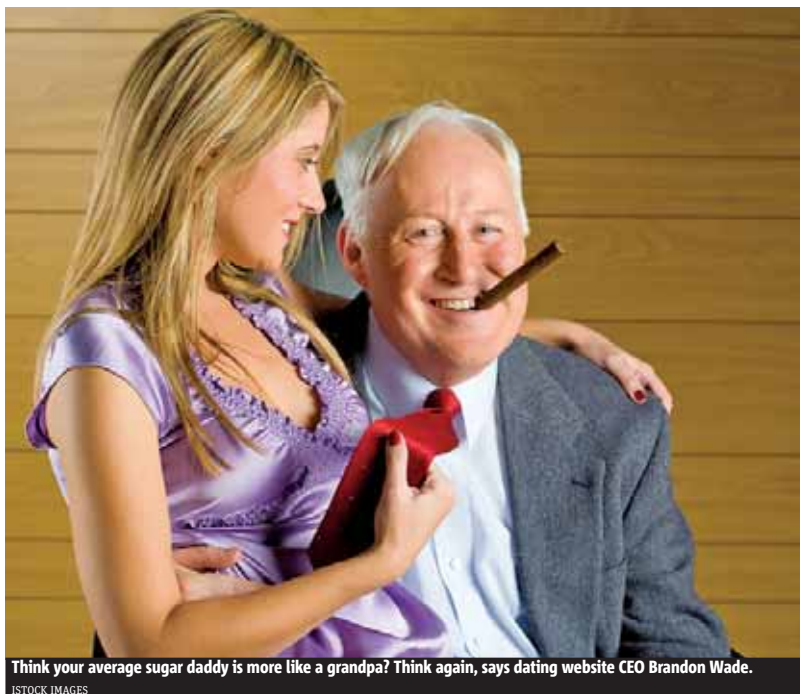
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Think your average sugar daddy is more like a grandpa? Think again, says dating website CEO Brandon Wade.

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Edmonton's numbers

Study shows Edmonton places fifth:

- In Edmonton, 1.13 in every 1,000 men is a sugar daddy.

- Locally, 41.9 per cent are married, a little higher than the national average.

- Their average income is \$200,536.

- Their net worth is about \$3 million.

- An Edmonton sugar daddy spends \$2,861 a month on his sugar baby.

Toronto crowned sugar daddy capital of Canada

Five-year study.

Edmonton places fifth in number of sugar daddies per capita, just ahead of Ottawa

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A recent five-year study shows that Toronto has the highest number of sugar daddies per capita than any other city in Canada. Calgary came in second, according to the study, while Vancouver placed third.

Seekingarrangement.com,

an online dating site that pairs wealthy men and women with those interested in dating them, conducted the study with data from the Canadian census.

So what is a sugar daddy? The Oxford English Dictionary defines it as "a rich older man who lavishes gifts on a young woman in return for her company or sexual favours."

Brandon Wade, founder and CEO of the website behind the study, says the negative stereotypes surrounding sugar daddies aren't true.

"If you look at the stats, sugar daddies are in their late 30s, early 40s," says Wade. "Despite the stereotype, the real sugar daddy is much younger, very generous and wealthy."

Wade claims women want to be spoiled and pampered. Using a site like his is a way for women to dif-

How many are married?

38.9

The percentage of Canadian sugar daddies who are married. Brandon Wade says that married sugar daddies are often in a sexless marriage and the financial ramifications of a divorce make for a sticky situation. Most wives have no idea their husband is a sugar daddy.

ferentiate the unemployed, lazy men from the wealthy men out there.

And wealthy they are. Wade says the average sugar daddy is worth between four and five million dollars, and has an annual income of about \$200,000. Women are lining up for a sugar daddy, with 10 women for every one daddy.

"People might ask, 'Doesn't he just want sex?' All men at the end of the day want sex," says Wade.

Troops returning to bases: Syria

Ceasefire. Activists refute government reports of early pullout ahead of truce

Syrian troops began pulling out Tuesday from some calm cities and headed back to their bases a week ahead of a deadline to implement an international ceasefire plan, a government official said.

The claim could not immediately be verified and activists near the capital Damascus denied troops were leaving their area. They said the day regime forces withdraw from streets, Syria will witness massive protests that will overthrow the government.

"Forces began withdrawing to outside calm cities and are returning to their bases, while in tense areas, they are pulling out to the outskirts," the government official said in Damascus, without saying when the withdrawal began. He spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to talk to the media.

President Bashar Assad agreed just days ago to an April 10 deadline to implement



Syrians wave flags and chant slogans at a protest against President Bashar Assad in a neighbourhood of Damascus, Syria on Monday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

international envoy Kofi Annan's truce plan. It requires regime forces to withdraw from towns and cities and observe a ceasefire. Rebel fighters are to immediately follow by ceasing violence.

Khaled al-Omar, an activ-

ist in the Damascus suburb of Saqba, denied that any withdrawal was underway in his area.

"This is impossible. I can see a checkpoint from my window," he said via Skype.

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Gunman was taunted before brutal killing spree: Police



Daniel Sim with his sister Lydia Sim, who is reported to be among the seven killed during Monday's shooting in Oakland. DANIEL SIM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Premeditated attack. South Korean nursing student was allegedly teased about his poor English skills prior to murderous rampage

A nursing student expelled from a small Christian university and upset about being teased over his poor English skills opened fire at the school, going from room to room in a rampage that left six students and a secretary dead, police said Tuesday.

One L. Goh, 43, forced the secretary into a classroom at Oikos University in Oakland, Calif. on Monday, told people to line up and, when some didn't co-operate, began his shooting spree, police Chief Howard Jordan said.

"It's very, very sad," Jordan said. "We have seven people who didn't deserve to die and three others wounded because (of) someone who couldn't deal with the pressures of life."

Goh, a South Korea native who became a U.S. citizen, was expelled in January for behavioural problems from the small private school of fewer than 100 students, Jordan said. The chief said Goh had anger-management issues with other students.

Jordan said Goh appeared to have been planning the attack for several weeks.

Goh was upset with administrators and several students at the college, which an official said offered classes in Korean and English and was founded to help Korean immigrants adjust to a new country and find careers in nursing and ministry.

"They disrespected him, laughed at him," Jordan said. "They made fun of his lack of English-speaking skills."

Jordan said Goh tried to find a female administrator Monday and began shooting when he learned she wasn't there. The victims, who range in age from 21 to 40, were from various countries, including Nigeria, Nepal and the Philippines.

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The victims

Authorities have not released the identities of the seven people killed in Monday's shooting.

- School secretary Kathleen Ping is believed to be among the first victims of the shooting, according to her family.
- The three surviving shooting victims were all released from Highland Hospital by Monday night, according to hospital officials. They would not release any details on the nature of the injuries treated.

Alone in the cockpit

Elderly passenger lands runaway plane safely

An elderly woman took control of a small plane from her unconscious husband that was dangerously low on fuel and landed it on a runway at a small north-eastern Wisconsin airport, the facility's director said Tuesday.

Helen Collins, 80, had

some flight training years ago but was not familiar with the controls of the Cessna twin-engine plane on Monday evening when her husband passed out, said Keith Kasbohm, director of Cherryland Airport near Sturgeon Bay.

Another pilot took to the skies to guide Collins to the ground, but she had to land the aircraft herself.

"She was on her last attempt to get lined up with the runway," Kasbohm said. "She reported one engine was sputtering on that last attempt to land. We were

all watching and knew she had to do it."

Collins' 81-year-old husband, John, was later pronounced dead at a hospital.

Helen Collins had called 911 from the Cessna, prompting air-traffic controllers in Green Bay to alert Kasbohm.

"The first thing I thought of is 'We have to find someone to help talk this woman down,'" he said.

Kasbohm called Robert Vuksanovic, a pilot who lived just a mile from the airport.

Vuksanovic jumped in

another plane owned by the Collins and flew up to meet the Cessna while instructing the novice on the radio.

Kasbohm described Collins as "cool, calm and collected on the radio" as the aircraft made a hard landing and skidded about 1,000 feet before coming to rest.

"She must have flown around here about 10 times," said Torry Lautenbach, whose property is next to the airport. "She did a really good job (landing the plane). It was amazing."

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Bankers call for moratorium on proposed reforms

Finance. Policy-makers should not overburden banks with regulations that could stifle growth: CBA president

Canada's bankers want to apply the brakes on sweeping new regulations being forced on them as a result of the 2008 financial collapse, possibly putting them on a collision course with the government and the Bank of Canada.

Canadian Bankers Association president Terry Campbell surprised a luncheon of policy-makers and industry executives Tuesday with a call for Ottawa to call a push the pause button on future reforms.

"We are facing the biggest regulatory implementation exercise the Canadian bank-

Managing the market

- CBA president Terry Campbell said the danger is that regulators may prevent banks from offering new, legitimate services.
- He also said regulations are so complex and require so many resources for compliance that they could drive smaller financial institutions out of the market, resulting in less competition.

ing industry has ever undergone, and it is not done yet," he said.

"I think it would be useful for the federal government to hit the 'pause' button."

Commons finance committee chair James Rajotte, a Conservative MP from Alberta, seemed surprised by

the appeal, but said afterwards if bankers have concerns, "we will certainly listen."

The proposal puts the private sector banks potentially in conflict with Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney, who as head of the Swiss-based Financial Stability Board has been a leading proponent of the reform process and has had little patience with what he has called "back-sliding."

In recent interviews, Carney has said policy-makers are open to working with stakeholders about the end game of reforms, but appeared to dismiss notions of halting the process.

He insisted Canada's banking community is not opposed to stiffer regulations, including more capital requirements, that have already been approved.

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No longer heir apparent

James Murdoch gestures as he leaves his father Rupert Murdoch's residence in central London last July. Murdoch, 39, stepped down Tuesday as chairman of British Sky Broadcasting, surrendering one of the biggest jobs in the Murdoch media empire. Murdoch's credibility had come under question due to the phone-hacking scandal at the now-defunct News of the World tabloid.

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Brewery bought

Molson Coors acquires StarBev

Molson Coors is looking to offset declining North American beer demand by acquiring leading Central and Eastern European beer maker StarBev for \$3.5 billion US.

The deal will add nine breweries and 4,100 employees in several countries to Molson Coors, and should offer the company better growth opportunities in the beer-friendly European market.

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Insurers to pool risks from high-priced drug costs

A group of 23 Canadian insurance companies has come up with a plan to spread out the expense of high-priced drug treatments — a move they say will shelter Canadians from the risk of losing employer-sponsored coverage due to cost.

The Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association says the insurers are trying to avoid a situation where employers face a sharp jump in premiums due to big claims

for extremely expensive drugs.

To do so, the industry is developing a pooled system of coverage that will allow insurers to exclude the cost of certain high-cost drugs when setting premiums charged to employers.

"It is the industry's view that no Canadian should face the prospect of losing their drug coverage due to rare but very expensive drugs costs," Frank Swedlove, the associa-

tion's president, said Tuesday.

Decisions about whether to cover a particular drug are up to the employers sponsoring the plan but cost is often an important factor in their decisions when deciding the extent of the coverage.

According to the association, certain drug treatments — typically for genetic enzyme disorders, cancer treatments and auto-immune disorders — can cost more than \$50,000 per year per patient.

Swedlove called the proposal a "win-win scenario," noting:

"Employers get a more financially sustainable drug plan, employees benefit as they will continue to receive coverage from their employer plans even in the face of a high-cost drug claim, and insurers are able to spread the cost of high-cost claims amongst the participating companies."

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Insurance issues

- The Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association said Tuesday that one-third of companies polled for it recently by Leger Marketing indicated they would drop their drug coverage if premiums jumped by 25 per cent or more.
- The association says 100 per cent of the carriers that offer supplementary drug coverage have committed to the setting up a joint industry pool that will spread the costs for very large, recurrent prescription drug claims.

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RIM shares down on news of patent lawsuit

Shares in Research in Motion were down almost 10 per cent Tuesday amid news that BlackBerry maker is being sued by a Dutch chipmaker for alleged patent infringement involving some of its smartphones.

RIM's stock closed at \$12.88, down \$1.37, or 9.6 per cent, on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Dutch semi-conductor company NXP confirmed that it's suing RIM for allegedly

infringing on six patents by selling certain smartphone models.

Also on Tuesday, the BlackBerry maker said it will open up its secure network for workplaces that use iPhones

and other mobile devices. The move is intended to encourage enterprise customers to stick with its services, even if they gravitate away from the BlackBerry smartphone itself. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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THOSE DARN SPACE ROCKS PULLING PRANKS, AGAIN



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The end is near.

Now that I've got your attention, it's more like a near-miss.

On April 1, an asteroid the size of a 747 missed slamming into Earth at roughly 48,000

km/h when it zipped between the Earth and the moon, the cosmic equivalent of a hair's breadth.

Even though it happened on April Fool's Day, I'm not foolin'.

And as I write, there's another one coming.

If you're reading this, we've dodged a bullet called 2012 FA57, which was scheduled to fly past the neighbourhood just beyond the orbit of the moon ... today.

It turns out these giant space rocks are whizzing around our heads all the time. The April Fool asteroid followed in the wake

of one the size of a school bus and another the size of a car last week. They may be relatively small, but their size makes them no less scary.

According to Marshall Brain of HowStuffWorks, if an asteroid the size of a house crashed into the planet, it would have the energy of a bomb equivalent to the nuclear bomb dropped on Hiroshima. A 747-sized rock

is bigger than a house and would have the impact of a much, much larger H-bomb.

Grim news. And you have to believe stuff that comes from a guy named Marshall Brain.

These so-called little shots are tricky, precisely because they are small enough to elude detection until it's too late to do anything about them. But they are nothing compared to the threat of Apophis, which is scheduled to narrowly miss Earth on — get this — Friday the 13th, 2029. Apophis is named after the Egyptian god of darkness and chaos, one bad dude. A direct hit would unleash the energy of 65,000 nukes, according to NASA.

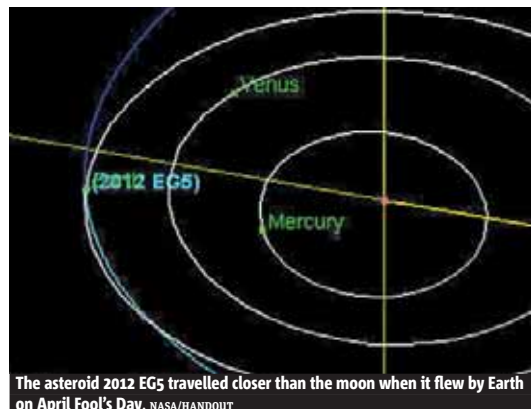
And if it misses on Friday the 13th, 2029, it gets another chance exactly seven years later on a Friday the 13th, 2036!

So the end could indeed be near. Admittedly, it's a long shot, but at one in 48,000 it's still greater than your chance of getting killed in a plane crash, which is one in 355,000.

Fortunately, there a stalwart band of scientists at NASA's Near-Earth Object Program who do nothing but watch the skies. They can see Apophis coming a long way off because it's 320 metres across. But they didn't discover the one that just missed until March 13, which is too late, baby. It will take two years to mount an effort to discourage an asteroid from burying its head into the bosom of Mother Earth.

So, that guy in the cartoon with "Repent! The End is Near!" sign and the haunted look? He's not so far off the beam.

Good thing you've led a blameless life to date, so there's nothing to worry about.



Mom, not in front of everyone!



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Superstitious?

And if it misses on Friday the 13th, 2029, it gets another chance exactly seven years later on Friday the 13th, 2036!

Say hi

Polar bear cub makes world debut

WUPPERTAL, GERMANY. She may be less than three months old but in Germany this polar bear cub is already a big celebrity. This is Anori — pictured with her mother Vilma — who has just made her first public appearance. The little bear seemed completely at ease in her outdoor pen, despite onlookers and flashing cameras. **METRO**

Time to shine

In her, they see brother Knut

CELEBRITY. What makes this polar bear so famous? Anori shares a father with Knut, a cub that won the world's affection after his mother rejected him as a baby and he was raised by zookeepers. Such was Knut's acclaim that he even starred in his own film, *Knut & Friends*, which went on to win rave reviews worldwide. **METRO**



Anori the polar bear

Disappearing act

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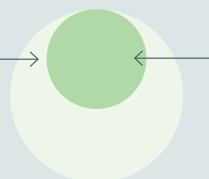
polar bears are left in the world, according to conservation group Polar Bears International. The disappearance of sea ice has forced polar bears away from their usual feeding grounds. The Arctic summer sea ice will vanish by 2030, experts claim.



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The Rolling Stones with Mick Jagger, left, Ronnie Wood, Charlie Watts and Keith Richards on April 2, 2008 in London, England GARETH CATTERMOLE/GETTY IMAGES

Why we love the Stones

The beat goes on.
This month marks the golden jubilee of the world's greatest rock 'n' roll band

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As many wonder how Keith Richards has even lived this long, we give you 15 reasons to love the Stones, the band that's existed for half a century.

1. Jagger/Richards: It really all comes down to this: It's an artistic tug-of-war between words (Mick) and music (Keef), sex (Mick) and drugs (Keef), and every negative/positive charge that this songwriting partnership represents.

2. Brian Jones: By all accounts

Jones founded and named the band, though the role of the second guitarist and multi-instrumentalist diminished progressively as he got more into drugs and less into fame. Mick and Keith fired him in June of 1969 and a month later he was found dead at the bottom of his swimming pool, only adding to the dark, mysterious aura of the Stones.

3. Charlie Watts: The drummer with the stoic face has not only been keeping the beat for the band for 50 years, but he has reportedly been keeping the faith with his wife of 47 years. Only after seeing the multiple dirty documentaries of the Stones' 1970s tours, does one realize how amazing this accomplishment is.

4. Mick Taylor: The guitarist joined the band at age 20 in 1969 and was only a Rolling Stone for five years and six albums, a period which was arguably the band's best.

5. Ronnie Wood: After serving as Rod Stewart's foil in The Faces, he replaced Taylor in 1975. He is the longest-reigning second guitarist, and the guitarist who looks the second-best with a guitar hanging on his bottom lip.

6. Bill Wyman: No, he was never smiling when the camera zoomed in on him in the videos, but there's something so weirdly likable about Wyman as the bassist.

7. Darryl Jones: Jones came on the scene almost 20 years ago (!) Yes, it's been that long since Bill Wyman left the band.

8. Anybody else who has ever played with the band: The Stones

Reasons to love the Stones

#9

Mick's dancing.

knew how to bring in guests, from the London Bach Choir on You Can't Always Get What You Want to Merry Clayton's killer singing on Gimme Shelter to sax man Bobby Keys on Exile on Main Street to the frequent keyboard guest spots by Billy Preston, Nicky Hopkins and Ian Stewart.

10. The name: No, it didn't come from Dylan's Like a Rolling Stone, although the guys did record that song in the '90s. It came from Muddy Waters' 1950 song, Rollin' Stone.

11. The logo: Whether or not it's based on Mick's mouth doesn't matter. It's red and juicy and it has absolutely nothing to do with a stone that's rolling, but it has everything to do with rock 'n' roll.

12. Andrew Loog Oldham: If it weren't for the Stones' manager and producer in the early years, the Stones might have stayed a relatively clean cut

wannabe Beatles act.

13. (I Can't Get No) Satisfaction: Keef historically recorded this guitar figure before passing out, and went back to listen the next day and amongst the documents of his snoring, heard this amazing elementary riff.

14. The comma in the title, Paint It, Black

15. Ruby Tuesday: Try to forget that it's the name of an American chain restaurant and listen to the song like it's the first time you've ever heard it. Holy amazingness! That buzzing cello, that bassy tuba, the beautiful recorder, the deep low notes that Mick hits in the verses!

WE ACTUALLY CAME UP WITH MORE REASONS TO LOVE THE STONES. YOU CAN READ THE COMPLETE LIST AND WATCH SOME VIDEOS OF THE BAND AT METRONEWS.CA/FEATURES



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Scene in brief

More downward-facing dogs for Baldwin?

Alec Baldwin is giving marriage another shot. The actor popped the question over the weekend to his 28-year-old yoga instructor girlfriend, Hilari Thomas, whom he started dating last year. His publicist Matthew Hiltzik made the engagement announcement over Twitter. Baldwin, who once starred in a film called *The Marrying Man*, turns 54 on Tuesday and an engagement, says Hiltzik, is a "great way to celebrate!" Baldwin was previously married to Kim Basinger. They have a daughter together named Ireland. He published a book in 2008 called *A Promise to Ourselves* about his personal experience dealing with divorce and his battle with Basinger over custody of their daughter. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

On the web



Luck creative duo defend safety of racing drama halted after three horse deaths; a 'bitter' end

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A century-long Titanic obsession



Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate Winslet, in a scene from the 3D version of *The Titanic*. PARAMOUNT PICTURES/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Unsinkable fascination.

Filmmakers have been inspired by the 'ship of dreams' ever since she went to her watery grave



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As the 100th anniversary of the ill-fated maiden voyage of the *Titanic* approaches, there are no shortages of cinematic ways to pay tribute to one of the most famous disasters of the 20th century. This weekend, James Cameron's *Titanic* sets sail again in theatres, this voyage in 3D. The story of Jack and Rose and their unsinkable love may be the best known of all the big boat movies, but it isn't the only one.

The first films about the sinking were made within a year of the event; 1912 saw three 10-minute films released to quench audience's

Propaganda film

Nazis also cashed in on the *Titanic*

Even Hitler had a hand in making a *Titanic* film. 1943's *S.O.S. Titanic* was a

propaganda film suggesting British incompetence was to blame for the disaster.

As water funnels into the ship, Captain Smith says, "See if you can find any German people on board. They'll know how to save the ship."

thirst for *Titanic* news. The most famous of the movies featured an actual *Titanic* survivor.

Saved from the *Titanic* starred Dorothy Gibson, an actress who was also a first class passenger on the ship. Premiering on May 14, 1912, (just 29 days after the *Titanic* sank) the movie has Ms. Gibson recalling her experiences as a passenger, while wearing the same dress she had worn when the ship went down.

Cut to 1929. British International Pictures was forced to release their epic film on the *Titanic* under the name *The Atlantic* when White Star Line threatened legal action. Seems the *Titanic*'s owner was actively trying to dissuade producers from

cashing in on the *Titanic* disaster.

The next mention of the doomed ship on film came in 1933 in the best picture winner *Cavalcade*. In its most famous scene, newlyweds embark on their honeymoon cruise. Standing on the deck they discuss their plans as the ship pulls out of dock. Soon it's revealed they're standing in front of a life preserver embossed with the name *Titanic*.

Best of the bunch are *Titanic*, an all-star docu-drama headlined by Barbara Stanwyck and Robert Wagner, that debuted on April 14, 1953, exactly 41 years after the disaster and *A Night to Remember*, which is still regarded as the most accurate of all the *Titanic* films.

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Russell Brand gives up rights of home to Katy Perry



Russell Brand ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Russell Brand was apparently serious when he said he didn't want anything from Katy Perry in their divorce, as the British comedian has reportedly given Perry all the rights to the \$6.5 million Hollywood Hills home they purchased while married, according to TMZ.

"It's all part of the prop-

erty settlement agreed between Russell and Katy," a source says of their divorce proceedings.

Perry and Brand snatched up the eight-bedroom, nine-bathroom home six months before Brand filed for divorce.

They had not signed a prenuptial agreement.



Ashton Kutcher

Ashton Kutcher buys house before Bieber can

Ashton Kutcher has been enjoying his rented Hollywood Hills bachelor pad so much that he decided to buy it, according to TMZ.

So what spurred on the sudden decision?

Competition from Justin Bieber, who was reportedly eyeing the \$10.8 million

property.

"I had to buy the house because I thought he was going to buy it out from under me," Ashton jokes during an interview with Jimmy Kimmel.

"I was like, 'I don't want to lose this house.' He forced me to buy a house."

Lohan looking to move on from probation



Lindsay Lohan

With her formal probation behind her, Lindsay Lohan is looking to move on with her life, and to that end she's reportedly sworn off dating to focus on her acting career, according to TMZ.

"Lindsay wants to devote all her spare time to reading the script and getting Liz's persona down pat rather than focus on a new relationship," a source says of Lohan, who's set to star in an Elizabeth Taylor biopic.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word



Levi's Johnson does it again



THE WORD
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Levi Johnston, a high-school drop out who is famous for knocking up someone kind of famous from an infamous political family, is using his super sperm to get back into the news cycle.

It was announced yesterday that the 21-year-old is expecting a baby with

his Wasilla, Alaska school teacher girlfriend, Sunny Oglesby, 20.

TMZ.com reports that Oglesby is only around three-months pregnant and that Johnston is "so excited" about having a new baby out of wedlock.

This is most likely because Bristol Palin (along with her mom and dad) haven't been too accommodating about seeing his son Tripp.

I know Alaska is remote, but if Sarah Palin could see Russia from her house, how hard could it be for Johnston to spot a stack of Trojans at the Rite Aid?

Twitter



@ActuallyNPH
I wanna give my 3 millionth (!) follower something cool. How would one quantify that? Is there some sort of log?



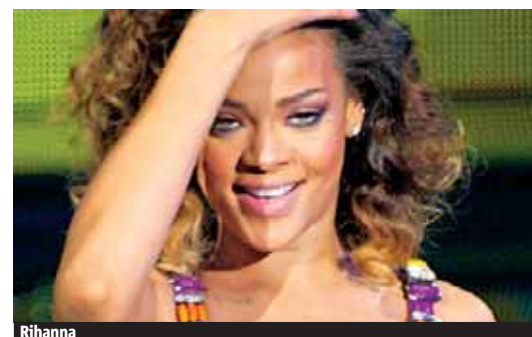
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Rihanna

Rihanna looks to play Whitney Houston in biopic

Rihanna has her sights set on the role of a lifetime: playing Whitney Houston in a biopic about the late singer.

"That would be something that I would have to give my entire life to do, because I would really want to pull it off," she tells the Press Association. "My first song that I remember falling in love with was a Whitney Houston song: I Will Always Love You.

It was really inspiring, and it made me develop a passion for music, so really, she's partly responsible for me being here in this industry."

Of course, first there needs to be a movie to star in, and while producer Clive Davis was reportedly putting one together, his rep has shot down that rumor, saying, "There is no truth to this. Clive is not putting together a biopic."

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Travel in brief

**Iceland
chills on
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Hotel rates in Iceland have dropped 12 per cent since 2010, making the country's capital Reykjavik an "affordable European hot spot," says Travel and Leisure magazine. "Iceland's price points aren't at their rock-bottom 2008 levels, but they're still low," says the magazine. Icelandair resumed seasonal service from Canada on March 28, with four flights a week from Toronto to Reykjavik until November. Seasonal flights from Halifax resume June 7 with up to three flights weekly through October. The city is among several European destinations that Travel and Leisure deems "affordable" due to lower prices for hotels, meals or other expenses. The list includes Berlin, Krakow, Dublin, Budapest, Lisbon and economically hard-pressed Greece.

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On the Web



Montreal's iron icons: wind-ing outdoor staircases win contest of local landmarks

The traveller of today



The most important aspect of a vacation for our readers is the ability to 'do nothing and relax.'

Poll. In Metro's worldwide survey, we asked you what's important when on vacation and here's what we found out

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The environment

Who said you were a thoughtless, tech-crazed urbanite? Although your number one answer when asked about your travel attitudes was "vacations to me mean doing nothing and relaxing," a close number two was that you take actions to "reduce the environmental impact" of your travelling.

Here's an idea: Choose a holiday with a difference. Why not travel to Costa Rica where you can surf, eat cheap sushi and save sea turtles? If you're more of a passive environmentalist, reduce your carbon footprint by making small changes like taking a train rather than a plane or staying in an eco resort and not

a big chain hotel. For more ideas head to ecotourism.org.

The web

There's a reason why half the travel agents in your neighbourhood have closed. More than half of you decide on a destination after having looked it up on the Internet. From there, 81 per cent will go on to plan their itinerary online.

Here's an idea: By now, you probably know what travel site offers the best fares, but we're partial to bing.com — a site we generally ignore. Their Farecaster technology predicts if a flight's cost may go up or down in a coming month.

Special offers

Although 34 per cent of those polled planned their summer vacation up to three months in advance, for many it's a last-minute decision based on what special offer is available at the time. Travel cost is a major issue (98 per cent considered it 'very important') but package deals allow you to leave with a set budget. Aside from the odd gift or splurge, you shouldn't



Try logging on for deals. More than half of our readers decide on their destinations using the Internet.

spend more than planned.

Here's an idea: Sign up for daily email alerts from websites that sell discount deals such as Groupon or Living Social or Save My Day (brought to you by Metro). Offers include anything from a cruise in the Mediterranean to a wine tasting in South Africa — often with spaces to fill.

City and Sunshine

All it seems readers want (well, 63 per cent of them) is sunshine and access to a beach. This doesn't mean



Cannes offers sun and fun.

they want to shut themselves off from the world on a desert island — 30 per cent can't bear to be away from the city for too long.

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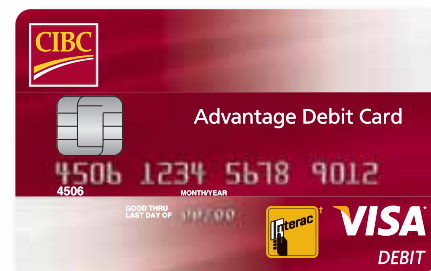


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Getting chummy with sand sharks in the Bahamas

Abaco Islands. Fresh fish washed down with some Kalik beer is the perfect way to enjoy a lazy afternoon in a tropical paradise

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Radio Abaco is the lone station on this sun-drenched north-western swath of the Bahamian archipelago with reception as gin clear as the invitingly warm waters.

The hosts are having a spirited debate on the merits of sweethearting, the colloquial expression for the practice of married men keeping another woman on the side.

"You're not having an affair, you have a sweetheart," explains my guide Ambrose. "It's infamous here. Men go to work and when they get paid they divvy up what is for their wife and family and to take care of the bills and such and then



Brave members of Mike Dojc's party fed scraps to the sharks. MIKE DOJC/METRO

what is for the sweetheart, so he has two homes."

The philandering food for thought creates a people-watching guessing game 'wife or sweetheart' while ferrying to Elbow Cay to visit Abaco's candy-striped lighthouse and touring Hope Town, a charming outpost settled by British loyalists following the American Revolution. Among the colourful abodes is the Wyannie Malone Museum, well worth popping in to soak up some island history. After mis-

sing an afternoon ferry back to Marsh Harbour we joke that we might as well go trolling for sweethearts while waiting an hour for the next boat to arrive.

The next morning, a chase is definitely on, albeit one with much fewer moral repercussions. After a 20-minute ride from Green Turtle Cay skipped by Lincoln Jones, the proprietor of Lincoln's Island Adventures, we baited our hooks with a chopped up minnow and went fishing for yellow-tailed snapper. I got lucky with my virgin

Quick tip

- **Eat.** The Bahamian Isle is famous for its abundance of conch. Try conch salad, a cerviche preparation, garnished with tomatoes and cucumbers as well as cracked conch, conch soup, conch fritters and conch sashimi.

cast. After a spirited fight that nearly jerked me overboard, I reel her in, free her of the hook and toss her into the well. Before we drop anchor at Munk Cay for lunch I'll catch three more.

I saunter down the bleach-white sands and wade into knee-depth waters to examine the dozen-odd orangey starfish speckling the ocean's floor. Braver members of our party feed fish scraps to the nearby sand sharks. Meanwhile Lincoln and his son Marcus cook up our catch, which we wash down with Kalik beer and a jug of pre-mixed Goombay Smash cocktails.



The waters are as clear as the radio reception on the Abaco Islands. MIKE DOJC/METRO

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Lynn Crawford makes Easter dinner easy for busy families

The Easter-long weekend is fast approaching and what does that mean?

Scavenger hunts, egg painting, bunny appearances, chocolate (too much chocolate) and of course, the big family dinner.

In keeping with the spirit of a holiday steeped in fun traditions, Inniskillin Wines and Chef Lynn Crawford created a long-weekend menu that packs just as much playfulness.

"This menu was important to me because Easter dinner has been a long-standing tradition in the Crawford family, and so has Easter brunch. I wanted to create something that was reminiscent of home. After all, that's what this weekend is all about — cooking, eating, and enjoying great company," says Crawford.

This ham pairs perfect with Riesling or Pinot Noir.

1. Preheat the oven to 300 F.
2. Put the ham in a large

roasting pan, skin side up. Using a sharp knife, score the ham with cuts across the skin, about 2-inches apart and 1/2-inch deep. Cut diagonally down the slashes to form a diamond pattern.

3. Season the ham generously with salt and pepper. Mix the herbs, mustard and oil to make a paste. Rub the herb mixture over the ham, being sure to get the flavour into all the slits. Bake the ham for 2 hours.

4. For the glaze, place a saucepan over medium heat. Add the chunks of butter, apples, shallots, garlic apple juice, brown sugar, water, and spices. Slowly cook the liquid down to a chunky, syrupy glaze, about 40 to 50 minutes.

5. Pour the apple mustard glaze over the ham and continue to cook for about 1 1/2 hours, basting with the juices every 30 minutes. Set the ham on a cutting board to rest before carving.

Ingredients

- 1 (8 to 10-pound) smoked ham, bone-in, skin on
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tbsp thyme leaves, chopped
- 2 tbsp sage leaves, chopped
- 2 tbsp parsley, chopped
- 3 tbsp Dijon mustard
- 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, cut in chunks
- 3 Gala apples, cored and thinly sliced
- 3-4 shallots, peeled, thinly sliced
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 1/2 cups apple cider
- 1/2 cup Inniskillin Riesling
- 1 cup honey
- 1 cup light brown sugar, packed
- 1 cup water
- 1/4 tsp whole cloves
- 2 cinnamon sticks

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Honey Mustard Ham with Apples & Inniskillin Riesling



This recipe serves eight to 10 people. PROVIDED

Drink of the week

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- 1 part Guava puree (nectar or juice can also be

substituted)
• 1/2 part freshly squeezed lime juice
• 1/2 part simple syrup

Pour ingredients in a shaker filled with ice. Shake and serve with a cocktail glass. SKYY SPIRITS



Pair your meal with Macaroni and Cheddar Casserole



This recipe serves four to six. PROVIDED

1. Heat your oven to 350° F. Lightly butter a two-quart

2. Melt 2 tablespoons of butter and toss with the bread crumbs, cheese and parsley.

3. To make the sauce, make a cut into the onion, about 1 inch deep, and slide the bay leaf into the slit. Stick the cloves into the onion. Put the milk and onions into a saucepot over medium heat.

4. Meanwhile in a separate pan, over low heat, melt the butter and then add the flour. Stir together and cook the roux without browning for about 3 minutes. Remove from heat.

5. When the milk is hot, pour some into the roux, stirring until the milk is thoroughly blended in. Return this to the remaining milk, and simmer for 15 minutes, stirring frequently.

6. Add the mustard and season with salt and pepper. Remove the onion, bay leaf and cloves. Add 2 cups of cheese and continue cooking, over low heat, stirring, until cheese is melted.

7. Cook the macaroni in a large pot of salted boiling

water. Drain well and add to the sauce. Add the parsley and mix together well. Transfer to the prepared baking dish and top with seasoned bread crumbs.

8. Sprinkle over the casserole and bake for 25 to 30 minutes, or until browned and bubbly.

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Ingredients

For the topping

- 2 tbsp butter
- 1 cup Panko bread crumbs
- 1/4 cup Parmesan
- 2 tbsp parsley, chopped

- 5 cups elbow macaroni
- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 1 small onion, peeled and cut in half
- 2 bay leaves
- 4 cloves
- 3 tbsp unsalted butter
- 3 tbsp all-purpose flour
- 2 cups milk
- 2 tbsp Dijon mustard
- 2 1/2 cups Cheddar cheese, grated
- 2 cup smoked ham, cooked and diced
- 2 tbsp parsley, chopped
- Salt and pepper

Niagara Gold Cheese Potato Gratin. Spotlight on local ingredients



1. Heat oven to 400 F. Butter 8-inch square baking dish with 1 tbsp of butter.

2. Combine garlic, potatoes, remaining butter, thyme and bay leaf in large saucepan over medium-high heat and bring to boil.

3. Season with salt, pepper and nutmeg and cook, stirring occasionally, until potatoes are just tender and mix has thickened, about 10 minutes.

4. Transfer mix to baking dish and sprinkle cheese over gratin and bake until golden

brown and bubble about 30-40 minutes. LYNN CRAWFORD/ INNISKILLIN WINES

Ingredients

- 5 tbsp unsalted butter
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 6 large red bliss potatoes, about 2.5 pounds, peeled and cut into 1/8" rounds
- 2 cups heavy cream
- 1 sprig thyme
- 1 bay leaf
- Pinch nutmeg
- 1 cup Niagara gold cheese, grated
- Salt and pepper

A personal guide to giving back

So you want to be a volunteer. Follow these steps to find a cause befitting to your career aspirations

ELIZABETH
BAISLEY
TalentEgg.ca

- Research the causes or issues that are important to you: Find or create an organization that focuses on issues you're passionate about.

- Consider the skills you have to offer: Share skills that you use all day at work or that you have gained from a hobby or other experiences. Organizations requiring volunteers usually offer some training, but excessive training is costly and defeats the purpose of hiring volunteers.

- Seek opportunities where you can learn something new: This can be exciting, rewarding, and good for career development.

- Combine your goals: Look for volunteer opportunities



Never underestimate the power that the word 'volunteer' can have on your resumé. ISTOCK

that will also help you achieve your other goals for your life, whether personal or professional.

- Don't over-commit your schedule: Be up front about how many hours you can com-

mit to the organization. You don't want to frustrate the organization or overwhelm yourself.

Applications and interviews are good things
You might be interviewed and

expected to fill out an application, just like for a job. This is done to match you to tasks based on your skills and to ensure that you're committed.

It's probably a good thing that an organization does this, so don't let it scare you away.

You are much more likely to find a meaningful volunteer position at an organization that puts time and planning into hiring their volunteers.

ELIZABETH BAISLEY STUDIES HUMAN RIGHTS & HUMAN DIVERSITY AT WIL-

Questions

What to ask an organization you are interested in volunteering for:

- Will you have to sign a liability release form so that the organization is not liable for any accidents you might have? This is especially important if you will be driving.
- How many hours will you be expected to commit each week?
- How long will your training be?
- Is there a time commitment in terms of months?
- Will you need a police check?

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Student Voice

Give a little, get a little

Heather Mundle
Recent graduate from Carleton University's mass communications program and Algonquin College's public relations program.
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The summer search for jobs is something all of us students are facing right now. It's April and most of us are getting squirmy for when the next big break is going to come.

As a public relations student and graduate, I have learned that opportunities are not just thrown at you; you need to search them out for yourself and be willing to jump quickly into a new venture.

After attending Carleton University for a Bachelor of Arts in mass communications, I went with leaps and bounds to Algonquin College for public relations. The combination of university taught me how to think while the practical, hands-on experience of the college setting is a push in the right direction toward a career.

At Algonquin, I also learned the value of volunteering and sharing your experience with others. I made volunteering my only job where I have tried out public relations, marketing work, event planning and social media work. It is



Heather Mundle PROVIDED

so great to lend a helping hand, gain some valuable experience and meet some wonderful friends and mentors along the way.

I think that in the university setting there needs to be more of a focus on volunteering in the community. It is one of the best ways to learn more about your field of study in a real world setting instead of asking yourself, "Now what am I going to do with this degree?"

Volunteering allows you to test out an area of interest before you are ready to make the big leap from student to career.

There is also one other small tidbit of advice I have received from a few different mentors I have become close with through volunteering: Follow up! Follow up! Follow up! It is one of the most important things that any young budding professional can do.

Twitter

@TalentEgg: Volunteer work, extracurricular, student groups and in-class work can all count as experience!

@stephaniefusco: Advice: volunteer a lot, network and never turn down an interview. #HireGenY

@Ade4Target: Students have to demonstrate leadership through projects & volunteer work. #HireGenY

@darcie_YYZ: Volunteer w/ nonprofits (shows initiative) or w/ Student Union (shows a drive to make a difference) #Leadership #HireGenY

@dizypuma: Apply for extracurriculars first so that you have transferable skills (ex: sports, clubs, volunteering, etc.) #HireGenY

The million dollar idea. Student group making a difference, differently

Humanitarian organizations are well represented on university campuses, but Students Offering Support (SOS) says it has a different approach to “making a difference” — a model that has now proven to be a million-dollar idea.

“[SOS] is a unique use of entrepreneurial principles in the charitable giving sector,” says Greg Overholt, the organization’s founder and executive director.

The charity provides students with exam preparation sessions and resources for a small fee and then uses the proceeds to fund access to education projects in Latin America, which SOS volunteers put in place. The structure of SOS “closes the loop,” says Overholt, “paying it forward in a way that supports education not just locally but globally.”

And paying it forward has paid off for this student-based

organization. Seven years after its inception, SOS is predicted to raise its millionth dollar this year.

Despite this milestone, SOS is not solely about raising funds, according to University of Waterloo student Joanne Toporowski. “It’s not just about getting money and going overseas,” she says, “but the way they raise money is also helping here.”

Toporowski works as a volunteer tutor, running SOS Exam-AID sessions for accounting classes at the University of Waterloo. These sessions occur one or two days before an exam and provide students with a review session, practice problems, sample tests, solutions, and take-home package — all generated by student volunteers.

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Need a few more reasons?

I have a secret desire to be a music technician. Yeah, a sound engineer. The person who slides the faders up and down in the recording studio.

So now that I’ve graduated I figured I’d have nothing to lose if I signed up for an information session at my nearby college radio station. Exploring your pipe dream is one of many reasons to rethink volunteering.

Get some practice

If you can’t get paid to do what you want, do it for free until you can find a paying job in your field. Most people who get stuck in job search mode get really good at writing cover letters and interviewing, but once you’re hired, you’ll need to be ready with the skills your employer actually hired you for.

Learn a new skill

Another “three years experience wanted” and you’ll be just about ready to jump off the nearest cliff, right? If you don’t have the requisite experience for a job you want, volunteering is a great way to get your hands dirty and hone your skills.

Meet new people



Volunteering can be both rewarding and relaxing. iStock

Need I say more? When you’re on the hunt for new prospects, the best thing you can do is expose yourself to new people in new situations. Job referrals often come from unexpected sources, so take the opportunity to chat up your superiors and fellow volunteers.

You never know when or where you’ll meet that new

business contact, friend or partner.

Take a break

Frustrated by the job search? Volunteering for a few hours each week gives you the chance to get away from the stress of job hunting. It boils down to helping yourself — in more than one way — by helping someone else.

Take care

It boils down to helping yourself — in more than one way — by helping someone else.

Caroline Yeung

Have something to talk about even if you’re unemployed

This is by far my favourite reason for volunteering. It’s not easy to find your way in the world as a new grad. It’s even harder when you feel like you spend every last minute of every day obsessing about the next job prospect.

When you’re in this position, it’s difficult not to answer the question “What are you up to these days?” with a despairing sigh. But don’t fret. Donating your time — even if it’s only for a few hours a week — gives you something new to answer that question with.

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chele Granger wrote the book on breaking into the fashion industry — three times over. Fashion Entrepreneurship: Retail Business Planning and The Fashion Intern are both in their second editions.

Plus, Fashion: The Industry and Its Careers is a must-read for anyone curious about a career in the field.

What's a good first step for breaking into the fashion

industry?

Retail work — especially for kids that are still in high school. You get exposed to the products, management and sales.

For college students, it's a step they can take before they move in at a higher level after graduation.

What degrees should undergrads consider?

There are really two primary



A part-time retail job is a great way to see if you'll measure up in the fashion world. iStock

avenues. One is a degree in fashion design or fashion product development; the other is fashion merchandising. Design skews toward the artistic, creative people. Merchandising is more of the business end.

The fashion industry seems to embody a myriad of industries — from finance to creative design.

Fashion is a lifestyle. It runs the gamut: what you put in your house, your stationary, what you put on your body.

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Golf

Injury forces Johnson out of Masters

Dustin Johnson withdrew from this week's Masters on Tuesday because of a lingering back injury that he aggravated while lifting a jet ski last week, his agent said. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

NHL

Habs to examine Price's headaches

Montreal Canadiens goaltender Carey Price will be examined by a team doctor Wednesday to determine whether the headaches he is suffering are a sign of something more serious.

The Canadiens have not confirmed a report that



Carey Price
RYAN REMIOWZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

Price has a concussion.
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NFL

Saints' appeal to be heard on Thursday

Saints head coach Sean Payton, GM Mickey Loomis and assistant head coach Joe Vitt are set to have their appeals heard Thursday on punishments for their roles in New Orleans' bounty system.

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NHL



"Maybe they (NHL) need Hollywood in the playoffs."

Edmonton coach Tom Renney on why his Oilers didn't get calls in their favour in a 2-0 loss to Los Angeles on Monday. The NHL fined Renney \$10,000 US on Tuesday for the comments.

Milbury apologizes for rant

NHL. TV analyst should be fired, says Sidney Crosby's agent

One day after a rant against Penguins superstar Sidney Crosby, hockey analyst Mike Milbury found himself under fire.

Crosby's agent rejected an apology from the former NHL coach and general manager, saying Milbury's comments on Crosby's concussions demanded action.

"Milbury went too far this time attacking the very sensitive issue of the concussion," Pat Brisson said Tuesday. "A simple apology isn't accepted in this case."

"The real way to treat this disease is by either suspending or firing Milbury. Plain and simple."

Milbury ripped Crosby on a Philadelphia radio station Monday, calling out the Pens captain for his role in a game-

ending line brawl Sunday between the Penguins and Flyers.

He labelled Crosby "a punk" and "little goody two shoes" and also referred to "his 35th concussion."

A day later, he apologized via a one-paragraph statement.

"I reached out to (Pittsburgh president) David Morehouse and the Penguins about the comments I made yesterday on Philadelphia radio," Milbury said.

"In hindsight, I realize what I said was inappropriate and wrong, and I want to apologize to the Penguins organization and their fans."

Crosby said he's not sure what provoked Milbury's tirade. The 24-year-old former MVP has been limited to 19 games over the last 15 months due to concussions.

Milbury, who is an analyst on NBC and also appears on CBC, took issue with Crosby's behaviour during the chaotic scene near the end of Sunday's game. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Quoted

"I really don't know where that came from. He's pretty good at twisting things around, that's for sure."

Sidney Crosby on Mike Milbury



Pittsburgh's Sidney Crosby is congratulated by teammates after scoring a goal in Boston on Tuesday evening. Crosby had two goals and an assist in the Penguins' 5-3 win over the Bruins. **ELSA/GETTY IMAGES**

Champions League

Messi's pair leads Barcelona to semis

Lionel Messi swept holder Barcelona into the Champions League semifinals for the fifth successive year on Tuesday while becoming the competition's most prolific scorer in a single season.

The Argentina forward scored a pair of first-half penalty kicks and Andres Iniesta added another goal after the break to give Barcelona a 3-1 victory over AC Milan following a 0-0 draw in Italy.

Messi's 14th Champions League goal this season surpassed Ruud van Nistelrooy's tally in the 2002-03 campaign.

Bayern Munich joined fellow four-time champion Barcelona in the semifinals.

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NHL. Kentucky team returns to adoring fans

Another championship banner has been unfurled at Rupp Arena.

Kentucky's basketball team returned home to its adoring fans Tuesday, after defeating Kansas 67-59 Monday night to win the school's eighth NCAA championship.

Blue-clad fans erupted into deafening cheers as the team pulled into the packed arena aboard a sleek blue bus emblazoned with "national champions."

It was a joyous curtain call for a team led by a talented group of freshmen and sophomores. The NBA likely beckons next for several of them.

Coach John Calipari pumped his fist and raised his arms in triumph as he basked in the cheers.

"You know why we won the national title? Folks, we have



John Calipari, head coach of the Kentucky Wildcats
JEFF GROSS/GETTY IMAGES/FILE

the best players and we have the best team," he said as the crowd erupted.

The rally punctuated a raucous few days in Lexington as the Wildcats marched toward the national title.

After the championship game, numerous small fires were set, dozens were arrested and one man was wounded by gunfire as fans again filled the streets near campus. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Curling. Canada remains unbeaten as competition for world title heats up

Canada's Glenn Howard has won in blowout fashion and had a few close calls at the world men's curling championship.

He has come through every time and remains a favourite to play for his fourth world title this weekend in Basel, Switzerland.

Howard improved his record to 7-0 Tuesday, winning a 7-6 nail-biter over Switzerland before posting an 8-5 win over Denmark. Both opponents are playoff long shots but still gave Howard a stiff challenge ahead of upcoming games against powerhouses Sweden and Scotland.

Howard said the quality of opposition is so high at the competition that every game

By the numbers

74%

Glenn Howard shot just 74 per cent against the Swiss but teammates Wayne Middaugh, Brent Laing and Craig Savill each shot over 95 per cent.

is a test.

"When other teams play well, you can only do so much," he said. "Everybody keeps thinking you're supposed to blow people out. You can't—if the other team makes a lot of shots, that's the way it works."

"The bottom line is you just try to make one more than the next guy and get those wins."

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SPORTS

Women's basketball

Brittney Griner and Baylor left no doubt they're head and shoulders above any team in the country. In fact, they're perfect. Griner had 26 points, 13 rebounds and five blocks to lead Baylor to a dominating 80-61 victory over Notre Dame in the NCAA women's basketball championship on Tuesday night, capping a 40-0 season for the Lady Bears. They became the seventh women's team to run through a season unbeaten and the first in NCAA history to win 40 games. It was the second national championship for Baylor, which also won a title in 2005.

On the web



Long overlooked and underfunded, the renamed Miami Marlins had top billing Tuesday as they played their first game at brand new Marlins Park against the defending World Series champion St. Louis Cardinals to open the 2012 MLB regular season. Scan the code for the story.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
z-NY Rangers	80	51	22	2	5	223	178	109	27-11-0-2	24-11-2-3	7-3-0-0	W1
y-Boston	80	47	29	1	3	262	198	98	23-14-1-2	24-15-0-1	7-2-0-1	L1
d-Florida	80	37	25	7	11	197	222	92	20-9-2-9	17-16-5-2	3-2-2-3	L4
x-Pittsburgh	80	49	25	3	3	272	217	104	27-12-0-2	22-15-1-3	5-4-1-0	W1
x-Philadelphia	80	46	25	2	7	260	227	101	21-13-1-5	25-12-1-2	5-3-0-2	L1
x-New Jersey	80	46	28	2	4	222	206	98	23-13-0-4	23-15-2-0	6-3-0-1	W4
x-Ottawa	80	41	29	6	4	246	233	92	20-16-2-2	21-13-4-2	4-4-0-1	L1
Washington	80	40	32	4	4	214	227	88	25-11-2-2	15-21-2-2	4-4-1-1	L1
Buffalo	80	39	31	4	6	214	224	88	21-12-3-5	18-19-1-1	6-2-0-2	W1
Winnipeg	80	37	34	5	4	218	237	83	23-13-1-3	14-21-4-1	4-5-1-0	W1
Tampa Bay	79	37	35	4	3	227	270	81	25-14-1-1	12-21-3-2	5-5-0-0	W2
Carolina	80	32	32	10	6	214	238	80	19-14-2-5	13-18-8-1	6-4-0-0	W1
Toronto	80	34	36	5	5	227	258	78	17-16-3-4	17-20-2-1	4-4-1-1	L1
NY Islanders	80	33	36	7	4	195	244	77	16-18-5-1	17-18-3-2	6-4-0-0	L3
Montreal	79	29	35	4	11	202	221	73	14-15-2-8	15-20-2-3	2-3-3-2	L4

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
y-Vancouver	79	49	21	2	7	239	191	107	25-10-0-4	24-11-3-2	7-2-1-0	W6
y-St. Louis	79	48	21	1	9	204	156	106	30-5-1-3	18-16-0-6	4-3-0-3	L2
d-Los Angeles	80	40	27	5	8	187	170	83	22-14-0-4	18-13-5-4	8-2-0-0	W1
x-Nashville	80	46	26	3	5	229	209	100	25-10-2-3	21-16-1-2	5-5-0-0	W1
x-Detroit	79	47	27	3	2	242	196	99	31-6-1-1	16-21-2-1	3-5-2-0	W1
x-Chicago	80	44	26	4	6	244	234	98	27-8-1-5	17-18-3-1	7-1-0-2	L1
San Jose	80	41	29	5	5	219	203	92	25-12-2-1	16-17-3-4	6-4-0-0	W2
Phoenix	79	39	27	3	10	206	202	91	21-13-2-4	18-14-1-6	5-2-0-3	W2
Dallas	80	42	33	1	4	209	217	89	22-15-0-3	20-18-1-1	3-7-0-0	L3
Colorado	80	41	33	4	2	205	209	88	22-15-1-1	19-18-3-1	5-3-1-1	W1
Calgary	80	35	29	7	9	194	222	86	21-12-1-5	14-17-6-4	2-3-3-2	L3
Minnesota	80	34	35	2	6	174	221	79	19-16-1-3	15-19-1-6	5-4-0-1	L2
Anaheim	79	33	35	5	6	195	219	77	21-18-2-0	12-17-3-6	4-5-1-0	L1
Edmonton	80	32	39	3	6	210	233	73	18-17-2-3	14-22-1-3	5-3-1-1	L1
Columbus	79	27	39	2	5	190	255	61	16-21-1-2	11-24-1-3	5-5-0-0	W3

x — clinched playoff berth; d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results

Buffalo 6 Toronto 5 (OT)
Carolina 2 Ottawa 1
Winnipeg 5 Florida 4 (OT)
Nashville 2 Minnesota 1 (SO)
New Jersey 3 N.Y. Islanders 1
N.Y. Rangers 5 Philadelphia 3
Pittsburgh 5 Boston 3
San Jose 5 Dallas 2
Anaheim at Vancouver
Columbus at Phoenix

Monday's results

Los Angeles 2 Edmonton 0

Tampa Bay 4 Washington 2

Tonight's games

All times Eastern

Tampa Bay at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.

Detroit at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m.

Tomorrow's games

Tampa Bay at Toronto, 7 p.m.

Winnipeg at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.

Buffalo at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.

N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.

Florida at Washington, 7 p.m.

Montreal at Carolina, 7 p.m.

Boston at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.

New Jersey at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.

Dallas at Nashville, 8 p.m.

Chicago at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Columbus at Colorado, 9 p.m.

Vancouver at Calgary, 9 p.m.

Anaheim at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.

San Jose at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

Friday's games

Phoenix at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 7

Chicago at Detroit, 1 p.m.

Ottawa at New Jersey, 3 p.m.

Buffalo at Boston, 4 p.m.

Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 4 p.m.

Anaheim at Calgary, 4 p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Winnipeg, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Carolina at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
St. Louis at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Nashville at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Edmonton at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
END OF 2011-12 NHL REGULAR

SABRES 6, LEAFS 5 (OT)

First Period

1. Toronto, Bozak 17 (Frattin, Kessel) 6:13

2. Toronto, Bozak 18 (Kessel, Schenn) 14:49

3. Toronto, Frattin 8 (Bozak, Kessel) 16:42

Penalties — Rosehill Tor, McNabb Buf (fighting) 4:40, Frattin Tor (fighting), Foligno Buf (interference, fighting; served by Vanek) 7:43.

Second Period

4. Buffalo, Ennis 15 (Sulzer, Foligno) 4:26 (pp)

5. Buffalo, Sulzer 2, 10:44

Penalties — Crabb Tor (tripping) 2:40, Colborne Tor (goaltender interference) 5:09.

Third Period

6. Toronto, MacArthur 20 (Crabb) 1:28

7. Buffalo, Roy 16 (Hodgson, Pominville) 2:24 (pp)

8. Toronto, Gardiner 6 (Connolly, Colborne) 10:39

9. Buffalo, Sulzer 3 (Vanek, McNabb) 14:57

10. Buffalo, Leopold 10 (Ennis, Foligno) 18:07

Penalties — Scrivens Tor (tripping; served by Kessel) 1:43, Frattin Tor (high-sticking) 12:40.

Overtime

11. Buffalo, Roy 17 (Vanek, Pominville) 3:29 (pp)

Penalty

— Phaneuf Tor (delay of game) 1:52.

Shots on goal by

Toronto 13 6 6 0—25

Buffalo 9 19 13 4—45

Goal — Toronto: Scrivens (L,3-4-2); Buffalo:

Miller (W,31-20-7). **Power plays (goals-**

chances) — Toronto: 0-1; Buffalo: 3-5.

Referees — Dan O'Halloran, Mike Hasenfratz.

Linesmen — Scott Driscoll, Mark Shewchuk.

Att. — 18,690 (18,690) at Buffalo, N.Y.

JETS 5, PANTHERS 4 (OT)

First Period

1. Florida, Sturm 3 (Kulikov) 12:03

2. Florida, Versteeg 23 (Fleischmann, Campbell) 14:00 (pp)

Penalties — Clitsome Wpg (hooking) 9:39, Thorburn Wpg (holding) 13:15.

Second Period

3. Florida, Fleischmann 27 (Versteeg) 0:25

4. Winnipeg, Kane 30 (Machacek, Bogosian) 13:15

5. Winnipeg, Bogosian 4, 17:21

Penalty — Garrison Fla (hooking) 13:40.

Third Period

6. Winnipeg, Ladd 26 (Byfuglien, Little) 0:53

7. Winnipeg, Little 24 (Wheeler, Byfuglien) 3:45 (pp)

8. Florida, Kopecky 10 (Sturm) 16:07

Penalty — Weaver Fla (delay of game) 2:00.

Overtime

9. Winnipeg, Ladd 27 (Wheeler) 3:12

Penalties — None.

Shots on goal by

Winnipeg 5 13 10 2—30

Florida 12 10 12 4—38

Goal — Winnipeg: Pavelec (W,29-28-8); Florida:

Theodore (L,22-15-11). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Winnipeg: 1-2; Florida: 1-2.

Referees — Stephen Walkom, Francois St. Laurent.

Linesmen — Brian Murphy, Steve Barton.

Att. — 17,760 (17,040) at Sunrise, Fla.

HURRICANES 2, SENATORS 1

First Period

Penalties — Pitkanen Car (interference) :26, Foligno Ott (goaltender interference) 1:04, Allen car (tripping) 3:41, Bowman Car (goaltender interference) 8:13.

Second Period

1. Carolina, Sutter 17 (Gleason) 1:33

2. Carolina, Ruutu 18 (Jokinen, Pitkanen) 17:54 (pp)

Penalties — Foligno Ott (kneeing) 17:01, Ruutu Car (hooking) 19:43.

Third period

3. Ottawa, Spezza 33 (Greening, Alfredsson) 19:47

Penalties — Allen Car (roughing), Neil Ott (interference) 8:49, Neil Ott (interference) 10:58, Gleason Car (cross checking) 16:40.

Shots on goal by

Carolina 10 8 13 31

Ottawa 13 13 16 39

Goal — Carolina: Ward (W,29-23-13); Ottawa:

Anderson (L,33-21-6). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Carolina: 0-3; Ottawa: 0-5.

Referees — Greg Kimmberly, Chris Rooney.

Linesmen — Lonnie Cameron, Pierre Champoux.

Att. — 19,484 (19,153) at Ottawa.

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New Zealand (de Boer)	4	3
Denmark (Stjerne)	3	4
France (Dufour)	3	4
Germany (Jahr)	2	5
U.S. (McCormick)	2	5
Czech Rep. (J.Snitil)	1	6
Switzerland (Mueller)	1	6

ROUND ROBIN

Yesterday's results

Ninth Draw

Canada 7 Switzerland 6

China 8 France 2

Germany 4 Czech Republic 3

U.S. 10 Sweden 1

Draw 10

Canada 8 Denmark 5

France 5 Scotland 3

New Zealand 8 Germany 5

Norway 9 U.S. 4

Draw 11

Denmark 9 Switzerland 4

New Zealand 8 Czech Republic 5

Norway 8 Sweden 3

Scotland 7 China 6

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Kansas City	4	4	0	0	7	1
New York	4	2	2	0	10	7
Columbus	3	2	1	0	3	2
Houston	3	2	1	0	2	2
New England	4	2	2	0	4	5
Chicago	3	1	1	2	3	4
D.C. United	4	1	2	1	5	4
Philadelphia	4	0	3	1	2	6
Montreal	4	0	3	1	3	10
Toronto	3	0	3	0	1	7

WESTERN CONFERENCE

GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Salt Lake	4	3	1	0	8	4
San Jose	4	3	1	0	5	1
Colorado	4	3	1	0	7	5
Vancouver	4	2	0	2	3	0
Seattle	3	2	1	0	5	2
Portland	4	1	2	1	6	4
Dallas	4	1	2	1	5	4
Los Angeles	3	1	2	0	5	7
Chivas USA	4	1	3	0	1	3

Note: Three points for a win, one for a tie.

Tonight's game

Montreal at Salt Lake, 9 p.m.

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CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

Yesterday's results

Barcelona 3 AC Milan 1

Bayern Munich 2 Marseille 0

ENGLAND

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

Yesterday's result

Burnley 1 Birmingham 3

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Hyundai full of surprises



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Suspension

To accommodate the added power, Hyundai's engineers worked on the Coupe's suspension. That involved recalibrating the dampers and adding beefier anti-roll bars, but one of the cooler modifications is the addition of a "sound induction tube" that pipes in the exhaust notes for the enjoyment of the occupants.

Zero to 60

According to Hyundai, the revitalized V6 can propel the GT to 60 m.p.h. (96 km/h) from zero in the "lower five-second range," but the company hasn't yet divulged times for the four-cylinder 2.0 model. The Coupe also has a more aggressive nose piece featuring Hyundai's open-mouth grille.

2013 Genesis Coupe

- **Type.** Two-door, rear-wheel-drive sport coupe.
- **Engines (hp):** 2.0-litre DOHC I4, turbocharged (274); 3.8-litre DOHC V6 (348).
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 10.4/6.4 (2.0, AT).
- **Base Price (incl. destination):** \$28,100.

Engines

Both the base 2.0-litre four-cylinder turbo and optional 3.8-litre V6 have been power-enhanced and are accompanied by all-new optional eight-speed automatic transmissions with manual paddle shifters.

Updated six-speed manual gearboxes are standard.



The four-cylinder is up 64 horsepower to 274.

Review. The Genesis coupe has rear-wheel drive and its V6 puts the boots to the Nissan 370Z, V6 Mustang, Camaro and Challenger

MALCOLM GUNN
Wheelbase Media

None of this five- or 10-horsepower stuff, or dressing it up with doilies and stickers.

In case you missed it, Hyundai's rear-drive four-seat coupe arrived for the 2010 model year and shares the Genesis name with its big brother four-door sedan. The

similarities end right about there, though.

While the sedan is all about cruising in style, the Coupe gets its kicks well away from the interstate, tackling two-lane back roads or, for some, smoking the tires and hanging the tail out on a closed autocross loop.

These and other activities will be significantly enhanced with the spring launch of the 2013 Coupe. Its

arrival is indeed timely as this most unique Hyundai faces off against three new sporty competitors, including the front-wheel drive 2012 Mini Cooper Coupe plus the 2013 Scion FR-S and closely identical Subaru BRZ, which are both rear-wheel-drivers.

All four import-based cars form part of a "thin" market where sales volumes are low compared with sedans, wagons and pickup trucks and

where each and every dotted-line conquest is critical.

Hyundai has bumped up the turbo Coupe's base price by about \$1,600 to \$28,100, while the 3.8 GT sees a \$4,000 increase to \$38,600.

That makes both editions a bit less financially appealing, but likely won't dissuade rapid-transit seekers who also appreciate an attractively packaged ride and the additional power.

When Hyundai wants to upgrade, it doesn't mess around.

5 DRIVE

Top Gear

Trailer travels in trunk

Motorcycle or ATV trailers are handy to have around, but they take up valuable space in your driveway or garage. Or do they? Trailer in a Bag has developed a product that weighs about 60 kilograms, will fit inside a duffel bag and can be stored in your vehicle when not in use. When assembled (without tools, by the way), you can tow up to two motorcycles or one ATV, up to a total of 2,000 pounds (910 kilograms). Options include running boards, fenders and a front-wheel chock to more securely hold your prized two-wheeler. Prices begin at \$1,195 US for single-motorcycle models and \$2,195 US for dual units and \$2,595 US for ATV carriers. Fenders sell for an extra \$150. Go to trailerinabag.com for more information and to order, or call 800-278-8387.

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When metal gets compressed, priorities change very quickly

Autopilot



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I'm not the first person to be driving along in perfect safety and serenity to be suddenly broadsided by another vehicle, and vaulted into that country called accident-land.

So many of you know what that feels like.

One moment you're driving along listening to Anne Murray or Black Sabbath, and the next there's a huge BANG. Instead of ending up where you planned, your day suddenly shifts to one populated by police, ambulance attendants, mangled machinery, tow trucks, witnesses and rental cars. A lot of cell phoning. A lot of standing around by the side of the road.

And a lot of going over the accident in your head.

Since it happened, a few months ago, I must have replayed that tape hundreds of times. I can't remember what socks I put on this morning, but every detail of those few moments before and after impact are available to me anytime I want in full HD. And I'm always surprised at how much information I was able to take in during those brief moments, like the metal got compressed, and so did time.

The tape goes something like this... A vehicle suddenly appears in my left periphery... What the?... That car shouldn't be there... What's going on?... Slam on the brakes... BANG... Diane screaming... The Mazda 626 deflected into the ditch... Can't believe we're not in pain...

We were shaken, but not internally stirred.

Moments earlier we were going dead straight on a light-



Thankfully, nobody was seriously injured. CONTRIBUTED

ly populated two-lane in the country, mid-morning in bright sunlight, en route to Ontario's Blue Mountain ski resort, to meet up with our friends Dave and Olga.

The car that hit us, had just turned left into our path, from a stop sign, intending to travel the same direction as us. That car's right front fender contacted our left front fender.

After making sure we weren't leaking, I ran out to yell at the other driver. I had to wait a bit. His car was veering erratically into a field, about 100 metres away from us. As soon as his car stopped, he scrambled out and ran up to us in the snow to see if we were all right. I was yelling at him most of the way.

A young guy. Said he didn't see us.

In retrospect, I should have asked if he was all right before

Quote

"When push comes to shove, as it does in vehicle accidents, you are once again made aware of how far down the priority list are vehicles from the thing at the very top of the priority list — people."

yelling at him. That's one of the things I would do differently if I had to do it over again, which I won't. It's booked in that line of time nobody gets to change.

A lot of friendly folk stopped to help. Everybody on the scene, including police and ambulance attendants, couldn't have been more helpful or concerned. When push

comes to shove, as it does in vehicle accidents, you are once again made aware of how far down the priority list are vehicles from the thing at the very top of the priority list — people.

The policeman on the scene said we were lucky. If we struck a bit earlier, we would have taken the blow by the driver's door. If we struck a bit later, we would have run into the back of him. There was a lot of meaty metal where we got together, and each car could deflect a lot of the energy by heading off in various, non-conflicting directions.

Our car was totalled. For someone who just lost a really decent car that I liked a lot, and would be really hard to replace at its going rate, I felt pretty good. Everyone, including me, was walking around, alive. Being alive is good.

Driving Force. Timing belt? Timing chain? You need to know!

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Two birds, one stone

- During timing belt replacement, you may be asked about replacing the water pump, too. You're not being ripped off. Water pumps wear out also, and since it has to be removed to reach the belt and you're already paying for that labour, it's relatively cheaper to get it all done at once.

Your car's engine contains hundreds of moving parts, all of which must be synchronized to run properly. That includes the valves, which use either a timing chain or timing belt — and it's important to know which one your engine uses.

While a chain is virtually maintenance-free, a timing belt should be changed at a predetermined mileage as a preventative measure.

Engines contain pistons that move up and down, turning a crankshaft to produce a spinning motion that eventually turns the wheels. The pistons are powered by gasoline.

The fuel comes in and the exhaust escapes through valves, which open and close via contact with a camshaft. The timing chain/belt runs between the crankshaft and camshaft, turning the camshaft at exactly the right speed. It's hidden behind a cover; the rubber belt you see when you open the hood is not the timing belt.

Whether it's a belt or chain depends on the model and the manufacturer.

"We don't use timing belts anymore," says Rob Murdoch, national manager of technical services for Mazda Canada.

"There's a shift (in the industry) from belts to chains because they tend to last longer."

Timing belts, which are made from rubber and fibre, became popular because they are quieter and weigh less than metal chains — important as automakers shave grams off components for improved fuel

economy. But they do eventually wear out and can break. If this happens, the engine won't run.

On some higher-compression engines, the valves and pistons have such tight tolerances that a broken belt could result in the parts crashing together, creating serious engine damage.

These so-called "interference" engines are also becoming more common as automakers work to improve efficiency, but they're now more likely to use a chain.

"That's another reason why manufacturers are shifting from belts to chains," Murdoch says. "Consumers have concerns about the cost of maintenance."

Depending on the vehicle, the recommended time to change a timing belt is anywhere from about 90,000 to 150,000 km — before it breaks.

It can be a pricey repair on many models, since it's hard to access and requires a lot of time.

If you're not sure what type your car has, ask the dealership, or look in the maintenance section of the owner's manual to see if it's mentioned.



Timing chains tend to last longer than timing belts. JIL MCINTOSH/FOR METRO

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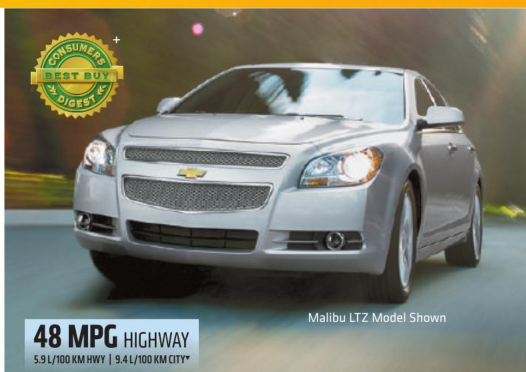
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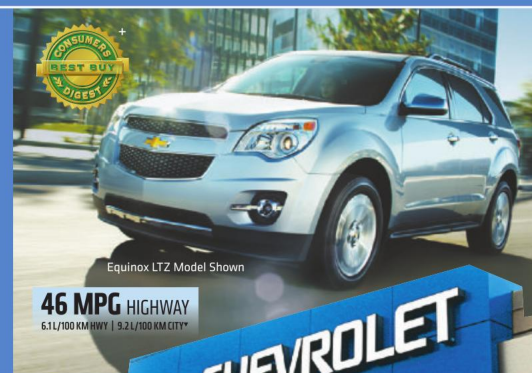
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The R18 e-tron's look, powertrain and carbon-fibre construction fall within endurance-racing rules for its class. PHOTOS FROM WHEELBASE MEDIA

Racing with reality

Auto Know. Audi and Nissan are examples of automakers that think they can still shape production cars with their on-track efforts

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A hockey player has his stick and his skates to slice the ice. A sprinter has his cleats to put the power to the track. A swimmer needs goggles, nose plugs and cap for a sprint of another kind. And a tennis pro's racquet has to have just the right sweet spot.

For these sports, it's not a lot of specialized hardware, especially when compared to auto racing.

It takes millions of dollars of equipment and technical expertise to race professionally and keep the wheels rolling all year, from track to track. There's support staff, pit crews, logistics, private jets, jumbo jets, giant car haulers and tires and fuel. Lots of tires and fuel ... and engines.

In Formula One, for example, yearly budgets run in the hundreds of millions of dollars.

That's obviously on the top end of the scale, but it's extravagant corporate spending and consumption for a sport that seems to have such a narrow scope of purpose. And this begs the question: is racing relevant at all, or is it merely wasteful, socially irresponsible and all about ego-stroking a select group of mischievous playboys?

NASCAR, for example, only this year adopted fuel

injection over carburetion and it still uses four-speed manual transmissions and V8 engines. That was fine in the 1960s, but production "stock" cars today run four-cylinder engines and anywhere from six- to eight speeds in their transmissions.

You know the rapidly tightening government regulations that target automakers to clean up their tailpipes? The same legislation that's changing the very cars we drive? It has no impact or relevance here.

Sure, racing can be exciting — at times — to watch, but if one of the many justifications for this conspicuous consumption is relevant engineering that transfers to production cars to make them more durable, safer and more efficient, then where is it?

For that to happen, racing's rules need to encourage

experimentation and not series after series where all cars are practically identical.

One automaker that's pushing that envelope is Audi. Its new lightweight R18 e-tron endurance racer uses a V6 turbo-diesel and a flywheel hybrid system that the company says it wants to test in upcoming Audi road cars. A similar system is in play with Porsche's racing cars, but the R18 is the first such hybrid to use a diesel. Racing that connects with reality seems to be the goal.

"Audi has always consciously selected championships and categories in racing that have a close relationship to production and therefore have technical relevance for the Audi customers," says Dr. Wolfgang Ullrich, head of Audi Motorsport. "Quattro, TFSI and TDI are three excellent examples of how motor-

sport has stimulated production development. A similar tendency is apparent with the e-tron quattro: we test a completely new technology on the race track before it's introduced to the Audi production line."

When the driver applies the brakes of the e-tron, electricity is generated to spin up a small flywheel. At the push of a button (above 120 km/h), the flywheel is braked to create electricity for the electric motors driving the front wheels. The diesel engine drives the rear wheels. Although the system is designed to create an extra shot of acceleration coming off corners, the burst is limited as the flywheel slows.

In a road car, the system could mean going with a smaller engine while maintaining safe levels of acceleration for overtaking and merging, without using expensive battery packs that negatively impact vehicles with their bulk and weight.

The R18 e-tron makes its competition debut at a six-hour endurance race in Belgium and will compete at the 24 hours of Le Mans endurance race in France in June. And that's where you'll also find one of the most unique racing machines of all time: the Deltawing, a.k.a. the Batmobile ... obviously.

The comic-book-looking project is intended to show the world that a car, with no rules placed on it, can be as quick — or nearly as quick — as the top contenders in the field but with half the weight, half the power and half the tire and fuel consumption.

It looks like a movie car, but the DeltaWing is no prop. With most of the weight over the rear wheels, the front tires bear less of the turning load while cornering. The front tires are only 10 centimetres wide — barely the width of a motorcycle tire — and placed a couple of feet apart. This provides the bullet-nose profile that the team says cuts aerodynamic drag by half. The body is made from carbon fibre and the engine is a turbocharged 1.6-litre gasoline four-cylinder supplied by Nissan, which joined princi-

pals Dan Gurney, Don Panoz and Highcroft Racing, all of whom are experienced racers.

"As motor-racing rule books have become tighter over time, racing cars look more and more similar and the technology used has had less and less relevance to road-car development," said Andy Palmer, Executive Vice President of Nissan.

Relevant racing? That's up to the rule makers, it seems. The DeltaWing will not compete at Le Mans, but will run the event as an experimental vehicle with the number "0." If it fares well, it could help shape future cars.

"All of the stuff we learn from this project we are going to be able to cross into road-car development," said Darren Cox, general manager, Nissan Europe.



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This photo provided by Terrafugia Inc. shows the company's prototype flying car, dubbed the Transition, during its first flight. TERRAFUGIA.COM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



The Transition is pictured on the road. TERRAFUGIA.COM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

I believe I can fly, I believe I can touch the sky (and the roads too)

Automotive marvel. Flying car gets closer to reality with test flight, introduction to customers at New York show

Flying cars aren't just science fiction anymore.

Woburn, Mass.-based Terrafugia Inc. said Monday that its prototype flying car has completed its first flight, bringing the company closer to its goal of selling the flying car within the next year. The vehicle — dubbed the Transition — has two seats, four wheels and wings that fold up so it can be driven like a car.

Last month, it flew at 1,400 feet for eight minutes. Commercial jets fly at 35,000 feet.

Around 100 people have already put down a \$10,000 deposit to get a Transition when they go on sale, and those numbers will likely rise after Terrafugia introduces the Transition to the public this week at the New York Auto Show. But don't expect it to show up in too many driveways. It's expected to cost \$279,000.

And it won't help if you're stuck in traffic. The car needs a runway.

The flying car has always had a special place in the American imagination. Inventors have been trying to make them since the 1930s, according to Robert Mann, an airline industry analyst who owns R.W. Mann & Co. in Port Washington, N.Y.

But Mann thinks Terrafugia has come closer than anyone to making the flying

car a reality. The government has already granted the company's request to use special tires and glass that are lighter than normal automotive ones, to make it easier for the vehicle to fly. The government has also temporarily exempted the Transition from the requirement to equip vehicles with electronic stability control, which would add about six pounds to the vehicle. The Transition is currently going through a battery of automotive crash tests to make sure it meets federal

Quote

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Terrafugia spokesman Steven Moscaritolo

safety standards.

Mann said Terrafugia was helped by the Federal Aviation Administration's decision five years ago to create a separate set of standards for light sport aircraft. The standards govern the size and speed of the plane and licensing requirements for pilots, which are less restrictive than requirements for pilots of larger planes. Terrafugia says an owner would need to pass a test and complete 20 hours of

By the numbers

\$279,000

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flying time to be able to fly the Transition, a relatively low hurdle for pilots.

The Transition can reach around 70 miles per hour on the road and 115 in the air, spokesman Steven Moscaritolo said. It flies using a 23-gallon tank of automotive fuel and burns 5 gallons per hour in the air. On the ground, it gets 35 miles per gallon.

Mann questions the size of the market for the Transition. The general aviation market has been in decline for two decades, he said, largely because of fuel costs and the high cost of liability for manufacturers. Also, fewer people are learning how to fly.

"This is not going to be an inexpensive aircraft to produce or market," he said. "It has some uniqueness, and will get some sales, but the question is, could it ever be a profitable enterprise?"

Mann sees the western U.S. as the most likely market, where people could fly instead of driving long distances.

Terrafugia has been working on flying cars since 2006, and has already pushed back the launch once. Last summer the company said it would have to delay expected 2011 deliveries due to design challenges and problems with parts suppliers.

With the appearance in New York, the company hopes to attract the eye of customers as well as investors.

"We are introducing ourselves as a viable company to the automotive world," Moscaritolo said.

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'Flawless?' Some 911 owners think so

Second Gear.

2005 to 2008
Porsche 911

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Most buy the Porsche 911 for its performance, heritage, rich racing history, and for the status implied by its badge.

Delivery of a high-style, high-status and high-performance driving experience is part of the package.

The so-called "997" generation of this machine was available from 2005 to 2008, inclusive. It's a unique and celebrated sports car, but certainly not one for every buyer's budget.

Common Issues

As with any high performance vehicle, parts and labour are pricey. Even changing tires and struts will run well into the thousands. Reports of leaky engine seals and niggling electrical issues have been made, so a full mechanical checkup and inspection of all on-board features should be considered mandatory. Note that reports of engine failure on earlier models in this generation aren't uncommon. Apparently warped heads or a bad block design were to blame. An extended powertrain warranty isn't a bad idea, if available.

Seek a Porsche mechanic's opinion as to whether or not the vehicle has been abused or neglected, and question any signs of excessive wear and unusual noises.



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Engine



Look for rear-mounted flat-six engines on all models, ranging from 325 to 530 horsepower, depending on the model selected. Automatic or manual transmission were available, as were rear or all-wheel drive.

What Owners Like



Everyday usability, performance, style, status and practicality are all highly rated by 911 owners. Fuel mileage and relative comfort are other positives. Descriptors like "flawless" or "perfect" come up frequently in owners forums.

What Owners Dislike



Complaints are minor, though they mainly deal with limited trunk and rear seat space, and expensive factory options.

Verdict

The pleasure of driving a 911 should outweigh the potential costs — but don't let your guard down when shopping. Patience and research are key to success here.

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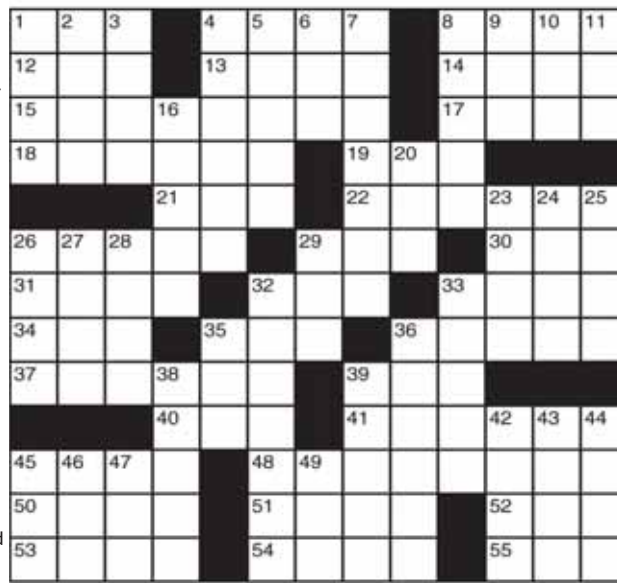
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- 4 Goody-goody
- 8 Put together
- 12 Eggs
- 13 Top-rated
- 14 Pressing need
- 15 Football-game start
- 17 Opening day?
- 18 Tell
- 19 Father's Day gift
- 21 Nursery item
- 22 This way
- 26 Broadway backer
- 29 Pub order
- 30 Right-turn command
- 31 Upper House member
- 32 White House monogram
- 33 Verve
- 34 History chapter
- 35 Black-and-white seabird
- 36 Put forth
- 37 Decorate with raised work
- 39 Rock-concert need
- 40 Likely
- 41 Nap
- 45 Tarzan's clique
- 48 Kisser enhancement
- 50 Sandwich shop
- 51 Always
- 52 Cheerleader's cry
- 53 Thousand —, Calif.
- 54 Unit of force

Down

- 1 Sites
- 2 Shakespeare's river
- 3 Child of the streets
- 4 Beat
- 5 Spacious
- 6 Officeholders
- 7 "Whole exceeds sum of parts" theory
- 8 Countertop appliance
- 9 Branch
- 10 — good deed
- 11 Type measures
- 16 Famous
- 20 Bar supply
- 23 Eye amorously
- 24 Burn somewhat
- 25 Faxed
- 26 Sheltered
- 27 "Cheers" habitué
- 28 Snatch
- 29 Mail invitations
- 32 Sped
- 33 Vote off the island
- 35 Cleo's slayer
- 36 Political mover?
- 38 Refuge
- 39 Skiers' mecca
- 42 Do mailroom work
- 43 Autocrat
- 44 Wan

- 45 Big bother
- 46 Split — soup
- 47 Wapiti
- 49 Wall climber



Yesterday's Crossword



Cryptoquip

How to play

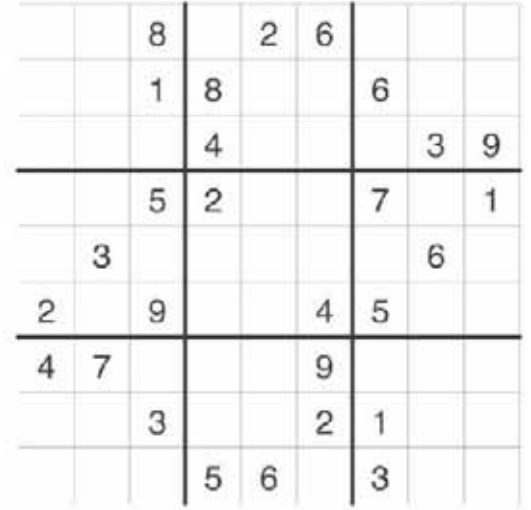
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Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

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XSSC YNIYK PGXFDAD.
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: AFTER SOME BLACK
INK WAS FOUND TO BE GUILTY OF A CRIME,
THEY WOUND UP PUTTING IT IN THE PEN.
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: N equals U



For today's crossword answers and for expanded horoscopes, go to metronews.ca

Sudoku



How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku



Weather

TODAY



MAX: 7°
MIN: 2°

THURSDAY



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MIN: 1°

FRIDAY



MAX: 6°
MIN: -4°



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Horoscope

♈ Aries | March 21 - April 20.

You are never afraid to take risks but the approaching full moon warns they must now be calculated risks, or you might just come off second best.

♉ Taurus | April 21 - May 21.

Why are you contemplating an extreme solution for a problem that is really quite simple?

♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20.

With your ruler Mercury moving in your favour again you should be focusing on realities. They can be as enjoyable as fantasies.

♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22.

This is not a good day to believe you can do six impossible things before breakfast. You need to know your limits.

♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22.

In the greater scheme of things, there is no such thing as "good" or "bad" events. It all depends on how you look at them.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22.

Use your eyes and ears today, and make sure you know what is actually going on in your world, rather than what other people tell you is going on.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22.

What you say today may not be greeted with universal acclaim but that does not matter.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21.

Raise your sights and make sure you can see the bigger picture. You'll recognize the significance soon.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21.

Take your mind off your troubles today by getting involved in a new creative activity.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan. 20.

Take time out for your own needs today and don't feel guilty if friends and family complain that you are being unsociable.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb. 18.

Someone will say something upsetting but you must not respond in kind. Just smile sweetly.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20.

Mercury, planet of the mind, turns direct in your sign today and you will notice that your problems no longer seem such a big deal.

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